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SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Again, to comment a little bit on Senator Landis, he mentioned quality being an issue but also quantity, and I'm trying to put an interpretation on that. Does that mean that we're short of low-quality child-care services? I don't think we need any more low-quality child-care services. I think we need high-quality services. We are trying to set a path to lead people in the right direction here. I think the right direction is clearly toward if you're going to offer new services or expand services make them high quality, particularly if you're going to be entitled to help from the state. I think that's absolutely essential. So I'm for, absolutely for, increasing the quantity of child-care services available, but I think the quality needs to go right along with it and that's what this amendment does. I urge your support. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Raikes. You've heard the closing on the Raikes amendment, AM3338 to AM3330. All in favor of that amendment vote aye, opposed nay. We are voting on the Raikes amendment to the Landis amendment. Have you all voted who care to? Senator Raikes, are you wishing to be recognized?

SENATOR RAIKES: No. (Laughter)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 11 ayes, 13 nays, Mr. President, on the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The Raikes amendment is not adopted. Mr. Clerk, next item to the amendment.

CLERK: Senator Hilgert, AM3332. (Legislative Journal pages 1641-1642.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Hilgert to open on AM3332.

SENATOR HILGERT: Thank you, Mr. President, members. The reason I have this amendment drafted is because Senator Raikes did raise a point during the debate last time and, after review of the drafting of the amendment which was the bill, LB 914, I did feel the need, in an effort to be totally honest, consistent,